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an S-CHIP-financed Medicaid expansion. The factors supporting this, and a conclusion, follows beneath that. I really do believe that this could be a win-win situation, that we have the opportunity to, yes, get started underneath the Medicaid program, but then at the end of two years, to take a look and see what the private sector has. I also have a copy here from the National Center for Policy Analysis. And their brief analysis says that the worst idea is expanding state Medicaid programs. The best idea, they say, is to use a private insured program and allowing people the choice. Really, if you stop to think about it, and of course I'm a supporter of MSAs, but the only way we're ever going to lower health care cost in the nation, in the state of Nebraska, is to put people in charge of their own health care. And once we do that, once we allow people to select their own health care, then I think that we will see significant cost in the health care market and its decline. To put people back in charge of their own health care, to take two years, then allow the private sector to work this program I think is going to be very beneficial. And many other states have done that. Matter of fact, of the first ten states to sign up underneath the S-CHIP program, only one decided to go with the Medicaid approach. I think this accomplishes the goal to provide insurance for children at 185 percent or below the poverty line. I think it disallows private enterprise to enter into this market. Certainly, we need to think also that there's a million dollars in administration cost underneath this proposed program. I do support the idea of providing health care for these children. I think it's going to pay long-range dividends. But I only do believe that the private health care system is the better approach. With that, Madam Chairman, I'll relinquish the rest of my time back to the Chair.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Jensen. Senator Brown.

SENATOR BROWN: Thank you, Madam President and members of the Legislature. I will go back...there have been some comments about whether I'm really arguing about the extent of the package. I'm not arguing, necessarily, about that, although I do think that that has some influence in the decisions that might be made. And I think it especially influences whether there is the possibility at the upper ends, and I would agree, it is at the upper ends of the 185 percent, whether there's